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ROBERT ABELL, IMMIGRANT

Robert Abell, Immigrant

to James Blaine Edwards

Mrs. James Blaine Edwards

and Family

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ABELL TO EDWARDS

"The Abell Family in America; with notes by  
H. A. Abell, of Rochester N. Y., and Mrs.  
Ruth Merritt Edwards, of Marengo, Iowa.

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Robert Abell, born England, (son of George Abell and  
Frances ----, of Hemington, Leicestershire,  
England) died June 20, 1663 in Rehoboth, Mass.,  
the first record of this family is at Weymouth,  
Massachusetts, where he desired to be made free-  
man, Oct. 19, 1630; he was later at Rehoboth.  
He married Joanna ----, who survived him.

Abell children:

- i Abraham, buried Nov. 14, 1639
- ii Mary, b April 11, 1642,
  - mar. Reverend Samuel Luther, b Oct. 25, 1663
- iii Preserved, b 1644
  - mar. 1st Martha Redaway, Sept. 27, 1667
    - b March 15, 1643
  - mar. 2nd Sarah Bowen,
    - their first child, born Aug. 28, 1672
- iv Caleb, b 1646, d 1731 original settler Norwich, Conn.
  - mar. 1st, July 1669, Margaret Post, b 1653  
d 1700, (dau. of John & Hester (Hyde) Post),
    - mar. 2nd Mary Neider,
      - their first child born March 1671
- v Joshua, b 1649
  - mar. 1st Nov. 1, 1677 Mehitabell Smith  
mar. 2nd Batheny Gayer or Gazer,
    - their first child born Jan. 1, 1678
- vi Benjamin, b d 1699 in Norwich, Conn.
  - mar. Hannah, (prob. dau. of John Baldwin, Sr.)
- vii Experience, b d
  - mar. Dec. 1680, John Baldwin,
    - their first child born Aug. 3, 1684



Abell to Edwards

✓ Benjamin Abell, b d Norwich, Conn, 1639,  
buried in Norwich First Burying Ground;  
mar. 1678 Hannah, (probably a daughter of John  
Baldwin, Sr.,) b d post 1717.

Abell children:

- i Hannah, b Jan. 15, 1679,  
mar. April 28, 1702 Ebenezer Metcalf
- ii Mary, b 1680  
mar. Dec. 31, 1705 Captain Joseph Tracy
- iii Lydia, b 1683,  
mar. June 19, 1711 Daniel Williams
- ✓ iv Benjamin, b 1687  
mar. March 17, 1713 Lydia Hazen

✓ Benjamin Abell, Jr., b 1687, d May 28, 1769,  
mar. March 17, 1713, Lydia Hazen, b Sept. 1, 1694,  
Topsfield, Mass.

Hazen Genealogy to Lydia: Edward Hazen, b (prob. England,  
d 1683, from England to Rowley, Mass., ante 1649, selectman  
1650, 51, 54, 60-61, 65, 68, Judge of Delinquents, 1666,  
married Hannah Grant, who died 1715. Their son

Thomas Hazen, b 1653, d 1735, born Rowley, Jan. 29, 1657/8  
d Norwich; married 1682/3 Mary Howlett, b 1664, d 1727, (daug.  
of Thomas Howlett, Jr., and his wife Lydia Peabody; Lydia  
Peabody, daug. of Francis Peabody, immigrant; Thomas Howlett,  
Jr., son of Ensign Thomas Howlett and his wife Alice French).

Thomas Hazen, given as Lieutenant Thomas, was freeman  
in 1689, Rowley, Mass., and his wife Mary Howlett had daughter  
Lydia, born Topsfield, Mass. Sept. 1, 1694, who married  
Benjamin Abell, Jr.

Children of Benjamin Abell, Jr., and Lydia (Hazen) Abell:

- i Benjamin, b May 23, 1715  
mar. June 13, 1739, Abigail Guild
- ii Andrew, b April 1, 1717  
mar. Elizabeth Tracy
- iii Lydia, b July 28, 1719,  
mar. Dec. 8, 1736 Judge Jabez Hyde
- iv Ensign Simon, b Sept. 15, 1721,  
mar. Oct. 28, 1744 ---
- v Alice, b Jan. 14, 1723/4
- vi Hannah, b March 26, 1727,  
mar. Jan. 11, 1748 Dea. Simeon Lathrop



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vii Elijah, b May 12, 1729, of Chatham, Conn, and Lempster, N. H., d 1799  
mar. 1st 1754 Anne Lathrop, b 1731, d 1764,  
(dau. of John and Elizabeth(Abell) Lathrop)  
mar. 2nd Mary Cleveland

viii Alpheus or Althous, b Sept. 8, 1731,  
mar. March 11, 1755 Elizabeth Griswold

✓ ix Oliver, b Feb. 6, 1733/4, d Dec. 4, 1823  
mar. Feb. 26, 1760 Abigail Pettis

x Isiah, b July 24, 1738,  
mar. Nov. 5, 1762 Rhoda Peters

✓ Oliver Abell, b Feb. 6, 1733/4 d Dec. 14, 1823, will dated Dec. 23, 1811.  
mar. Feb. 26, 1760 Abigail Pettis, (dau. of Peter and Abigail (Fales) Pettis), b 1746,  
d -  
Abell children, born in Norwich, Conn.

i Abigail, b April 21, 1769, d 1849  
mar. 1st Jabez Willes  
mar. 2nd Jedediah Morse

ii Oliver, b April 16, 1773, d -  
mar. Nov. 19, 1799 Mary Lord

✓ iii Asa, b Sept. 19, 1780, d Oct. 2, 1851  
mar. 1st Aug. 16, 1803, Clarissa Hewitt  
mar. 2nd Charlotte Kingsbury

iv Benjamin, b March 26, 1784

v Gurdeon, b Nov. 5, 1788, in Franklin  
mar. April 1, 1817 Anna Morgan

✓ Asa Abell, (see page 109 of Abell Genealogy) served in War of 1812, as Mechanic, resided New York State; third child of Oliver Abell and wife Abigail Pettis Abell; born Sept. 19, 1780, d Oct. 2, 1851,  
mar. 1st Aug. 16, 1803 Clarissa Hewitt  
mar. 2nd Charlotte Kingsbury

Children of Asa Abell and first wife Clarissa Hewitt:

i Lewis Hewitt, b Dec. 20, 1804  
ii Horatio Nelson, b Feb. 13, 1806, d 1809  
iii Abigail Willes, b May 24, 1808  
iv Emmeline Augusta, b May 1809  
v Mary Ann, b Jan. 22, 1810

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Children of Asa Abell and second wife Charlotte Kingsbury

- vi Nelson Horatio, Oct. 20, 1811
- ✓ vii Charlotte Phips, b June 20, 1813
- viii James Lawrence, b Sept. 20, 1814
- ✓ ix Olive Dean, b March 5, 1816
- x George Washington, b April 30, 1817
- xi Angeline Melissa, b Dec. 30, 1819
- xii Betsey Marie, b Dec. 20, 1823
- ✓ xiii Cornelia Clarissa, b March 11, 1825
- ✓ xiv Floretta S. Alvira, b Sept. 13, 1827
- xv Gurdeon Alexander, b March 7, 1829

✓ Olive Dean Abell, b March 5, 1816, d Nov. 13, 1903, in Iowa County, Iowa;  
mar. at Veronia, Oneida County, N. Y., July 26, 1836, Arrowit Norton.

✓ Charlotte Phips Abell, second child of Asa Abell and wife Charlotte Kingsbury Abell; born June 30, 1813, d Oswego, New York, married 1839, to Arad Gates, born Aug. 12, 1804, at Ashburnam, Mass., died Marengo, Iowa County, Iowa, March 29, 1885, buried Koszta cemetery, Iowa County, Iowa.

Gates children:

- i Charlotte
- ✓ ii Alonzo Edwin, b March 12, 1840, Oswego, N. Y., d Marengo, Iowa, May 30, 1919, buried Koszta; mar. Belinda Sullivan
- iii Edward L.

✓ Floretta S. Alvira Abell, ninth child of Asa and wife Charlotte Kingsbury Abell; born Sept. 13, 1827, died March 26, 1887, married January 30, 1848, New London, Conn., to Abner James Richardson, born February 6, 1823, Lunington, Maine, died April 18, 1875. Both are buried in the Koszta cemetery, Iowa County, Iowa.

Richardson children:



## Richardson children:

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i James Hewitt, b Oct. 30, 1854, d  
 mar. 1878, Sept. 22; Mary E. Hollopeter,  
 b June 2, 1857; one child given here,  
 Forest, b 1879.

ii Hannah Elizabeth, b Jan. 13, 1861, d March 3, 1926  
 mar. James Edwards

iii Hibbert Nelson, b April 30, 1866, d Feb. 12, 1913  
 buried Koszta cemetery;  
 mar. March 15, 1901 Adda Hartz; no issue

iv Nettie Floretta, b March 2, 1864, d March 26, 1933;  
 mar. Rock Island, Ill., December 1890  
 Jhirard Dizotel, b June 15, 1860, d Feb.  
 13, 1939, both buried Koszta cemetery.

Abner James Richardson, b 1823, d 1875, was son of James P. and Hannah Hibbert Richardson. James B. Richardson was born Oct. 13, 1786 at Lunington, Maine, died Jan. 16, 1840; married 1813 Hannah Hibbert, born April 28, 1785 at Cornish, Maine, and died September 16, 1825, ae 40 years.

Hannah Elizabeth Richardson, (second child of Abner James Richardson, and wife Floretta S. Alvira (Abell) Richardson) born Jan. 13, 1861, died March 3, 1926, buried Koszta cemetery; married March 8, 1880, James Edwards;

## Edwards children:

i Ralph Percy, b Dec. 21, 1880,  
 mar. Hazel Dell Colson

ii William Richardson Edwards, b Nov. 9, 1882, unmar.

iii James Bline Edwards, b Jan. 17, 1890,

iv Hewitt Richardson Edwards, b Dec. 4, 1890.

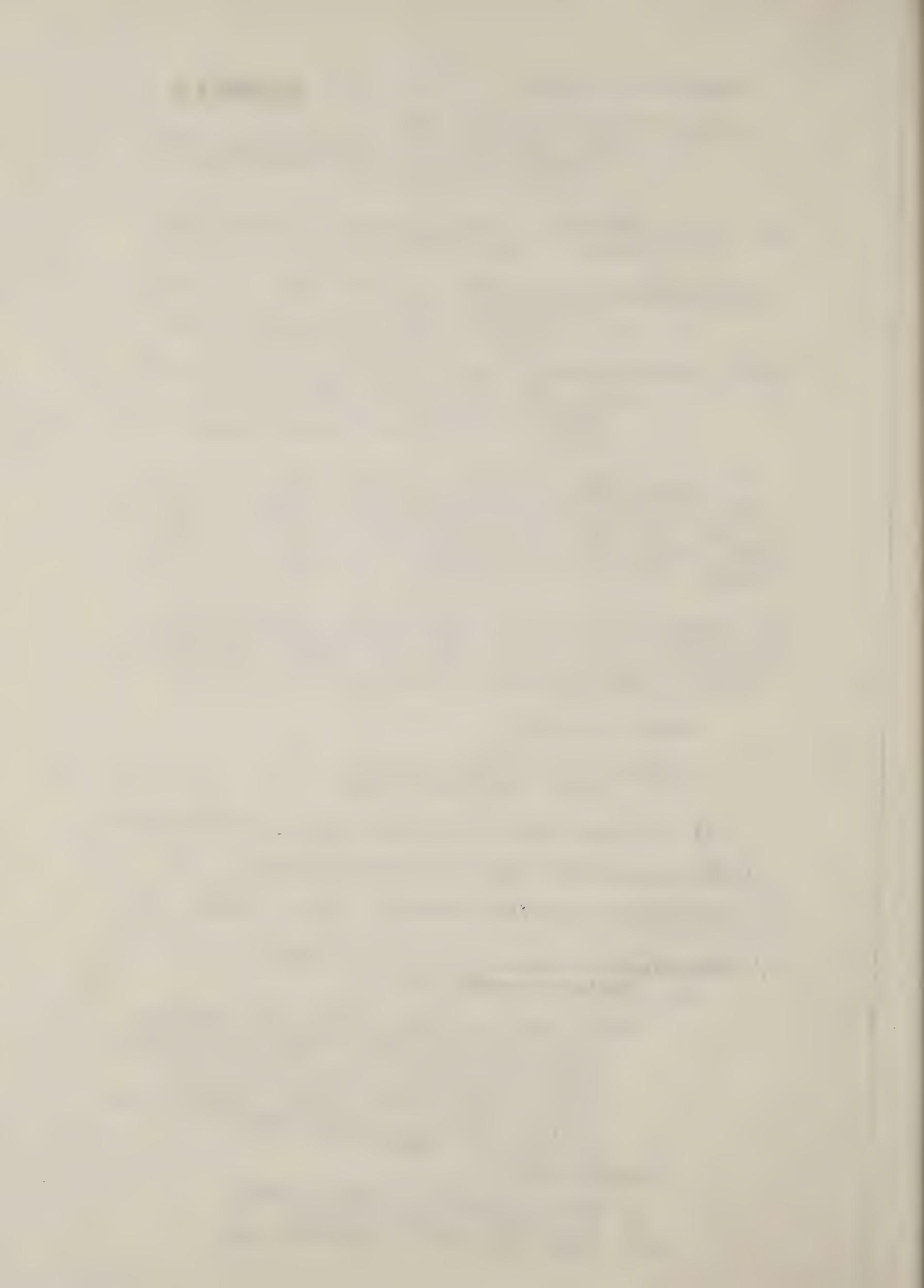
James Blaine Edwards, born Jan. 17, 1890,  
 resides Marengo, Iowa,  
 mar. Dec. 10, 1907, Harriett Ruth Merritt;  
 (descendant of Thomas Merritt, b March 10,  
 1789, Washington County, Pennsylvania; d  
 Knox Co. Ohio, Sept. 22, 1856, married  
 Nov. 18, 1813, Knox Co. Ohio, by Silas Brown,  
 J. P., ((Book A, page 34)) Maria Hall)  
 D. A. R. No. 334395.

## Edwards children:

i George Melville, b June 14, 1911

ii Roy Merritt, b Jan. 3, 1913

iii Richardson LaDow, b April 27, 1927



\* George Melville Edwards, b June 14, 1911,  
mar. March 2, 1938, Vera Elizabeth Gunderson,  
b July 29, 1917

Edwards children:

- i George William
- ii Gary, twin
- iii Lary, twin
- iv Linda Lou

\* Roy Merritt Edwards, b Jan. 3, 1913,

mar. Oct. 2, 1935 Aileen Dolores Gahring,  
born July 22, 1916

Edwards children:

- i Marilyn Jeanne, b July 2, 1936
- ii Carol Sue, b June 6, 1947

Harriett Ruth Merritt was a direct descendant of Thomas Merritt, b March 10, 1789, Washington County, Pennsylvania, d Knox County, Ohio, September 22, 1856; married November 18, 1813, Knox County, Ohio, by Silas Brown, J. P. ((Book A, page 34)) Maria Hall. She is a member of Daughters of the American Revolution, No. 334395, resides Marengo, Iowa.



\* Alonzo Edwin Gates, b March 12, 1840, Oswego, N. Y.,  
d Marengo, Iowa, May 30, 1919, buried Koszta  
cemetery, Co. B 10th Regiment, Wisconsin  
infantry;  
mar. Belinda Sullivan;

Gates children:

i Frank E. Gates

ii Eugene Gates

\* iii Merritt Gates, b June 7, 1872, d 1935, March 9;  
mar. Oct. 11, 1905, Luella Whitehill.

iv Charlotte Gates,

\* Merritt Gates and Luella Whitehill had children:

i Elizabeth, - (Daughters of the American  
Revolution, No. 422778

ii Alice,

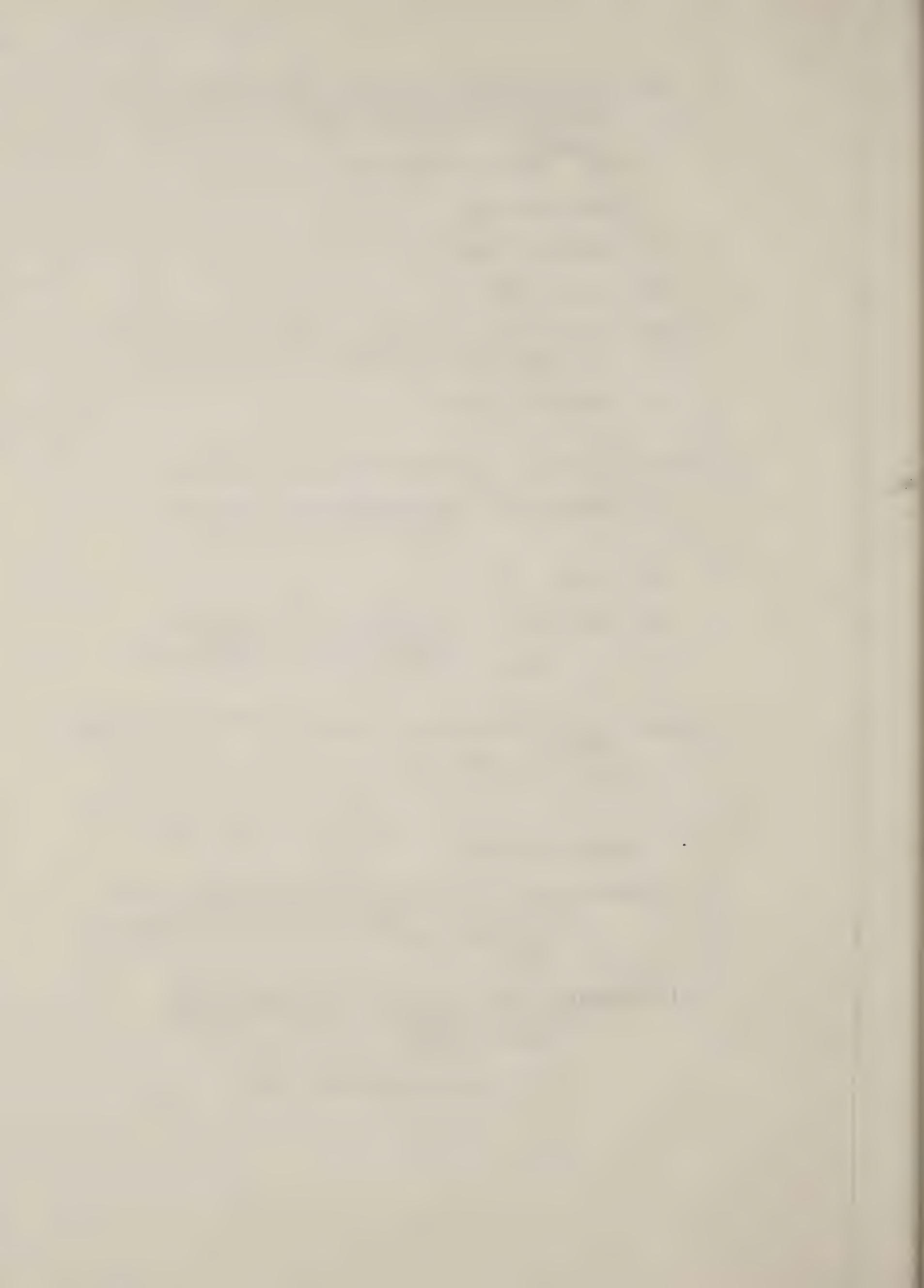
iii Florence, - (Daughters of the American  
Revolution No. 422779)  
mar. Orville Numby, of Ledora, Iowa

\* Nettie Floretta Richardson, b March 2, 1864, d March 26,  
1933;  
mar. Dec. 1890, Jhr

Dizotel children:

i Marguerite, b Aug. 13, 1892, Rock Island, Ill.,  
mar. Nov. 28, 1919 Clarence Topping,  
they have one dau. Gerry June, b Sept. 18,  
1925

ii Forest, b Feb. 3, 1902, Rock Island, Ill.,  
mar. Rock Island, Marchell Tanghe,  
their children:  
a Mimi, May 23, 1942  
b Kit, March 8, 1944



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✓ Cornelia Clarissa Abell, (8th child of Asa Abell, and his second wife Charlotte (Kingsbury) Abell, born March 11, 1825, & July 30, 1887, Marshall, Oneida County, N. Y., mar. Crandall. Will probated September 9, 1887, heirs named:

- 1 Horatio N. Abell
- 2 Olive Norton
- 3 Chester Abell
- 4 Adelia Wheeler
- 5 Libbie Quimby
- 6 Frank Abell
- 7 George E. Pissell
- 8 George Cuykendall
- 9 Emmaoline Cone
- 10 Anna Westfall
- 11 DeWitt Abell
- 12 George W. Abell
- 13 James M. Abell
- 14 Charlotte A. Williams
- =15 Hewitt Richardson
- =16 Libbe Edwards, (Mrs. James)
- =17 Nettie Richardson
- =18 Bertie Richardson
- = Children of sister Floretta
- = 19 Alonzo E. Gates
- \* 20 Edward L. Gates,  
\* children of sister Charlotte and Arad Gates
- \* 21 George L. Gates
- \* 22 Clarence (or Clifford) A. Gates
- \* 23 Wm. T. Gates  
\* grand children of above and father  
Charles - dead.
- 24 Alonzo M. Gates
- 25 Aggie Belle Ely.

Gates: in the preceeding record of Charlotte Phips Abell, married 1839 Arad Gates, his first child is given as Charlotte; in notes sent for this manuscript the name of Charles A. Gates is recorded, and we give here the following information:

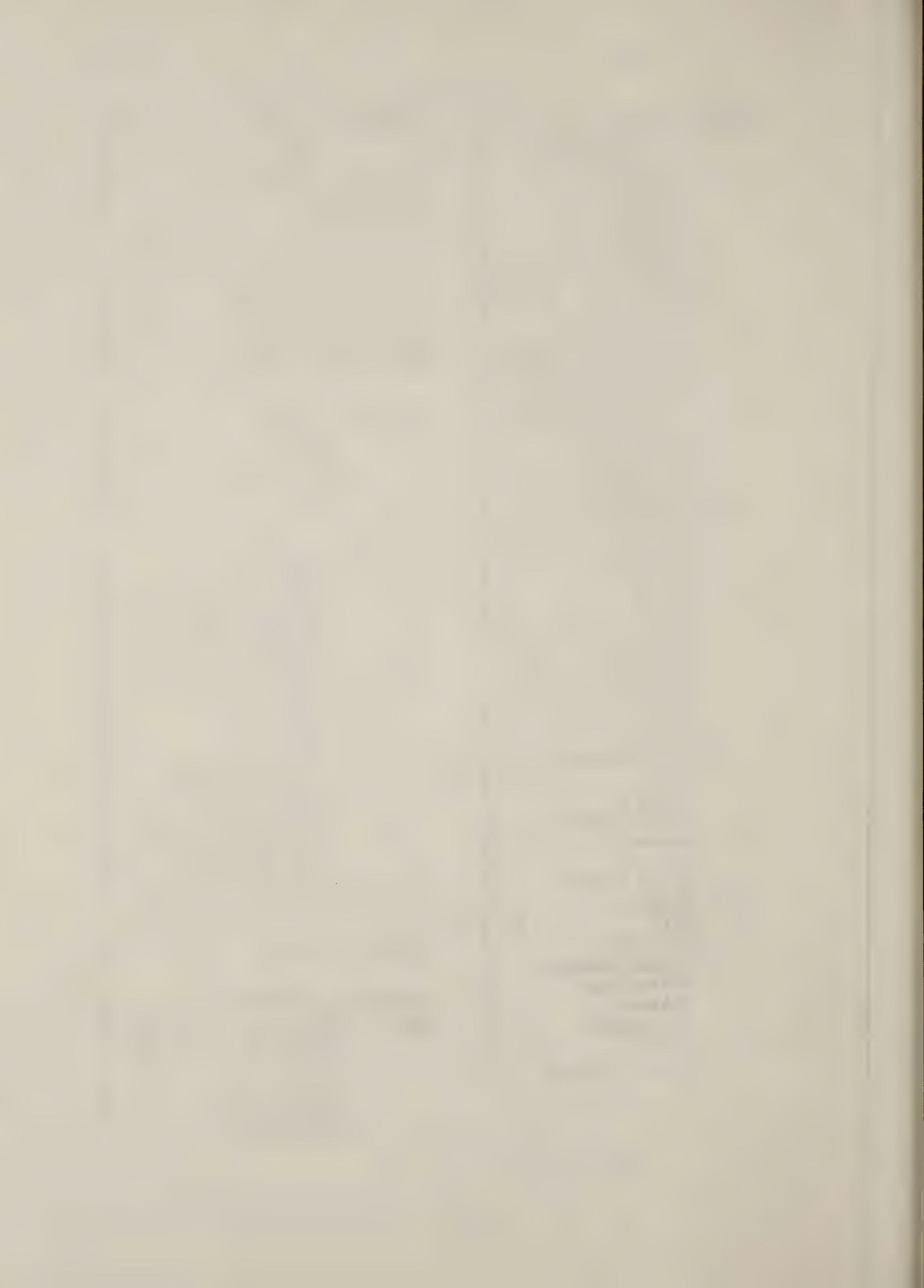
Charles A. Gates, b Oswego, N. Y., 1844  
mar. Hannah Marcellus, (dau. of Hannah Osgood Richardson, a sister of Abner James Richardson who married Floretta A. Abell).

Gates children:

- i Wm. Tecumseh,  
mar. Edith Herman, no children
- ii George, unmarried
- iii Clifford, b  
mar. Myrtle Cronbaugh; several Gates children.  
She married second Cyrus C. Ridenour of  
Belle Plaine, Iowa, no issue of this marriage.



Abell, Abraham	1	Baldwin, Hannah	2,	1
Abigail	3	John	1	1
Abigail Willes	3	John, Sr.	2	8
Alice	2	Dissell, George E.	8	8
Althean	3	Bowen, Sarah	1	1
Alpheus	3	Brown, Silas	6,	5
Andrea	2			
Angelina Melissa	4			
Ann	3, 4,			
Annjamin	1, 2,	Cleveland, Mary	5	
Barney Marie	4	Colson, Hazel Dell	5	
Calob	1	Cone, Emmaoline	8	
Charlotte Phips	4, 8	Coykendall, George	8	
Chester	8	Cronbaugh, Myrtle	8	
Cornelia Clarissa	4, 8			
Elijah	3	Dizotel, Forest	7	
Elizabeth	3	Jhizard	5,	7
Emeline Augusta	3	Kit	7	
Experience	1	Marguerite	7	
Floretta S. Alvira	4, 5,	Mimi	7	
Frances	1			
Frank	8	Edwards, Carol Sue	6	
George	1	Gary	6	
George Washington	4	George Melville	5,	6
George W.	8	George William	6	
Gurdeon	3	Hewitt Richardson	5	
Gurdeon Alexander	4	James	5	
H. A.	1	James Blaine	5	
Hannah	2	Mrs. Jones	6	
Horatio Nelson	3, 4,	Lary	6	
Isiah	3	Libbe	8	
James M.	8	Linda Lee	6	
James Lawrence	4	Marilyn Jeanne	6	
Joanne	1	Ralph Percy	5	
Joshua	1	Richardson LaDow	5	
Lewis Hewitt	3	Roy Merritt	5,	6
Lydia	2	Wm. Richardson	5	
Mary	1, 2	Ely, Aggie Belle	8	
Mary Ann	3			
Nelson Horatio	4	Fales, Abigail	3	
Olive Dean	4			
Oliver	3	Gahring, Aileen D.	6	
Preserved	1	Gates, Alice	7	
Robert	1	Alonzo E.	4, 7,	8
Simon, Ensign	2	Alonzo M.	8	
		Arad	4,	8
		Charles A.	8	
		Charlotte	4,	7



Gates, Clarence	8	Weider, Mary	1
Clifford	8	Norton, Arrowit	4
Edward L.	4,	Olive	8
Elizabeth	7		
Eugene	7	Peabody, Francis	2
Florence	7	Lydia	2
Frank	7	Peters, Rhoda	3
George	8	Pettis, Abigail	3
George L.	8	Peter	3
Herritt	7	Post, John	1
Wm. Tecumseh	3	Margaret	1
Gayer or Gazer, Batheny	1		
Grant,annah	2	Quimby, Libbie	8
Griswold, Elizabeth	5		
Guild, Abigail	2	Redaway, Martha	1
Gunderson, Vera Elizabeth	6	(could be Redway)	
Hall, Maria	6	Richardson, Abner James	4,5,8
Hartz, Adda	5	Bertie	8
Hazen, Edward	2	Floretta S. A.	5
Lydia	2	Hannah Elizabeth	5
Thomas	2	Hannah Hibbert	5
Herman, Edith	8	Hannah Osgood	8
Hewitt, Clarissa	3	Hibbert Nelson	5
Hibberts, Hannah	5	James B.	5
Hollopeter, Mary E.	5	James Hewitt	5
Howlett, Mary	2	Nettie	8
Thomas	2	Nettie Floretta	5, 7
Hyde, Hester	1	Ridenour, Cyrus C.	8
Judge Jacob	2		
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Lathrop, Anne	3	Sullivan, Belinda	7
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